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VIA HAND-DELIVERY

The Honorable Jocelyn D. Boyd
Chief Clerk/Administrator
Public Service Commission of South Carolina
101 Executive Center Drive
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

RE: Application of Palmetto of Richland County LLC for Certificate that Acquisition
is in the Public Interest and for establishment of Service Area, Rates and Charges
Docket No.: 2012-273-S

Dear Ms. Boyd:

In accordance with Commission Order No. 2012-960 in the above-referenced docket, I am pleased to inform the Commission that the transaction between Palmetto of Richland County LLC (PRC) and the City of Columbia closed on the date hereof. By copy of this letter, I am informing counsel for the Office of Regulatory Staff of the fact of this closing as required by the aforementioned order.

Also in accordance with Order No. 2012-960, enclosed please find a Certificate of Mailing of a separate letter to customers in the PRC service area of the date upon which wastewater service commenced to be provided by PRC. By copy of this letter, I am serving counsel for the Office of Regulatory Staff with a copy of same and enclose a Certificate of Service to that effect.

Please acknowledge your receipt of this letter by returning a file-stamped copy to me via our courier.

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The Honorable Jocelyn D. Boyd

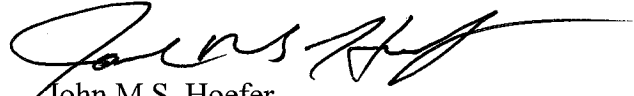
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On behalf of PRC, I thank the Commission for its assistance in this matter. If you have any questions, or if you need any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me. With best regards, I am

Sincerely,

WILLOUGHBY & HOEFER, P.A.



John M.S. Hoefer

JMSH/ccm

Enclosures

cc: Nanette S. Edwards, Esquire

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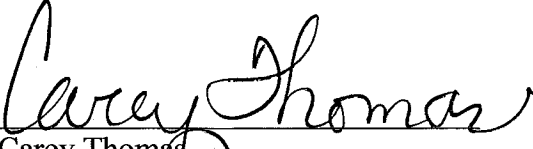
DOCKET NO. 2012-273-S

IN RE:

Application of Palmetto of Richland
County LLC for a Certificate that
the Acquisition of the City of Columbia
Sewer Collection System serving portions
of unincorporated Richland County is in
the Public Interest and for
Establishment of a Service Area and
Rates and Charges

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

This is to certify that I, Carey Thomas, Senior Vice President for Human Resources of Ni America, have caused to be mailed this 21st day of March, 2012, via First Class Mail, to all customers of **Palmetto of Richland County LLC** at the customer addresses maintained in the City of Columbia's records, one (1) copy of the attached letter which is provided to said customers in accordance with Order No. 2012-960 in the above referenced matter.


Carey Thomas

Columbia, South Carolina
This 21st day of March, 2012.



Palmetto of Richland County LLC

1713 Woodcreek Farms Rd

Elgin, SC 29045

803-699-2422

March 21, 2013

Subject: Acquisition of a portion of the City of Columbia wastewater collection system by Palmetto of Richland County LLC

Dear New Customer:

Palmetto of Richland County LLC ("PRC") is pleased to announce that, as of March 21, 2013, it has acquired from the City of Columbia ("City") the wastewater collection system that serves your home or business and will be responsible for the operation, repair, maintenance and billing for your account associated with this system. PRC is owned by Ni America, a multi-state water and sewer utility holding company which owns two other utilities operating in the midlands of South Carolina -- Palmetto Utilities, Inc. and Palmetto Wastewater Reclamation, LLC, which have a combined sixty year wastewater service history in Richland County.

PRC looks forward to serving you as our customer. This acquisition has been approved by the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (PSC) and our service to you is subject to its supervision. In addition, the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") has audit, inspection and consumer service oversight responsibilities with respect to our service to you. Of course, should you have questions or experience any issues with your service, you may contact us at the number shown below.

Please note that the rates to be charged for service from PRC are the same as those currently charged by the City of Columbia. Also, please note that you will continue to be billed for wastewater service based upon your water consumption metered by the City. These rates cannot be changed unless and until the PSC approves a change. As is the case with other customers of utilities regulated by the PSC, you will be given notice and an opportunity to be heard with respect to any proposed change in these rates. With respect to future billings, most of you will receive your next bill from PRC in mid-April; however, some of you will receive a final bill from the City for March service, which can be expected on or around March 27, 2013 and April 3, 2013, depending upon your meter reading cycle.

PRC welcomes you to the growing Palmetto family of wastewater utilities. The quality of service we provide to our customers is always important to us, as are the environmental concerns and the impact that wastewater overflows can have on area lakes and waterways. Please do YOUR best to keep grease, fats and cooking oils out of the sewer system, as they are the primary cause of sewer overflows! We will keep you informed as we work diligently to maintain this wastewater collection system in accordance with all applicable regulatory utility standards.

In order to provide the best service possible to our customers, we would like to update your information in our records. If you have received this letter in error or if you would prefer correspondence and billing be mailed to a different address, please contact our customer service office at the number provided below.

The Palmetto of Richland County LLC office is located at:

1713 Woodcreek Farms Rd, Elgin, SC 29045

Main: 803-699-2422; Fax: 803-699-2423

Office Hours: 8:30-4:30 Monday-Friday

<http://www.niamerica.com>

Respectfully,
Palmetto of Richland County LLC

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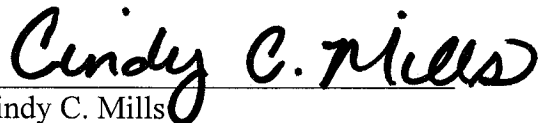
IN RE:

Application of Palmetto Utilities, Inc.)
for adjustment of rates and charges)
for, and modification to certain terms)
and conditions related to,)
the provisions of sewer service.)
_____)

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that I have caused to be served this day one (1) copy of the **Certificate of Mailing** by placing same in the care and custody of the United States Postal Service with first class postage affixed thereto and addressed as follows:

Nannette S. Edwards, Esquire
Office of Regulatory Staff
1401 Main Street, Suite 900
Columbia, South Carolina 29201


Cindy C. Mills

Columbia, South Carolina
This 21st day of March, 2013.